

Setting up of Wind Power Units in Tamil Nadu

1956. SHRI V.P. DURAISAMY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that NTPC intends to set up wind power units in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and in which districts they would be set up; and
- (c) whether Namakkal district would be included in this proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) at present, National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) intends to set up a 20 MW wind power project **at** Sankaneri in Tirunelveli Distt, of Tamil Nadu.

Reduction in Subsidy on Power

1957. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated annual subsidy on power, State-wise during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) whether Government have initiated any steps for reduction of power subsidy substantially during the above period, and if so, the results thereof;
- (c) the details of directives issued to the State Governments as part of II phase of reforms in power sector for reduction of subsidy and revision of power tariff; and
- (d) what is the State Government's reaction thereto, and the action taken/proposed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) A statement showing estimated annual subsidy (agriculture and domestic sectors) on

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power, state-wise for the years 1997-98, 1998-99, 1999-2000 is enclosed. {See below)

(b) to (d) In the Chief Ministers' conference held on 3.12.1996, it was resolved that, no sector shall pay less than 50% of the average cost of supply and tariff for agriculture sector shall not be less than 50 paise per kwh to be brought to 50% of the average cost in not more than three years.

The Electricity Regulatory Commissions Act, 1998 was enacted by the Central Government. As per provision of this Act, State Electricity Regulatory Commission while determining tariff will be guided by the principle, *inter-alia*, that the tariff progressively reflects the cost of supply of electricity at an adequate and improving level of efficiency and if a State Government requires the grant of any subsidy to any consumer or class of consumers in the tariff determined by the State Commission, the State Government shall pay the amount to compensate the person affected by the grant of subsidy in the manner the State Commission may direct.

So far 14 States (Orissa, Haryana, A.P., U.P., Karnataka, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Delhi, Gujarat, M.P., Arunachal Pradesh, Maharashtra and Rajasthan) have notified setting up of SERCs. Regulatory Commissions of Orissa, Maharashtra, A.P. and U.P. have already issued tariff orders.

Statement

(A) SUBSIDY FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMERS

(Rs. in crore)

S.N	SEBs o.	1997-98 Provi.	1998-99 (RE)	1999-2000 (AP)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	402.0	699.2	898.4
2.	Assam	167.2	148.3	176.5
3.	Bihar	181.7	199.6	196.5
4.	Delhi (DVB)	—	435.4	371.3
5.	Gujarat	201.2	185.4	145.5
6.	Haryana	162.9	140.0	205.0
7.	Himachal Pradesh	49.5	71.4	74.3

S.No	SEBs	1997-98	Provi.	1998-99 (RE)	1999-2000(AP)
8.	J & Kashmir	169.5		166.4	133.4
9.	Karnataka	8.8		93.8	118.6
10.	Kerala	439.8		483.8	838.0
11.	Madhya Pradesh	618.4		689.6	843.6
12.	Maharashtra	325.3		424.6	573.6
13.	Meghalaya	11.7		17.1	19.3
14.	Orissa	283.6		369.4	278.0
15.	Punjab	237.8		291.4	2800
16.	Rajasthan	353.5		370.1	427.2
17.	Tamil Nadu	192.3		375.6	432.2
18.	Uttar Pradesh	1136.5		1422.3	1626.6
19.	West Bengal	324.9		411.0	444.7
	TOTAL:	5266.6		6994.4	8082.6

Source: Planning Commission Document on the Working of SEBs and EDS.

(B). SUBSIDY FOR AGRICULTURAL CONSUMERS
(Rs. in crore)

S.N	SEBs	1997-98	Provi.	1998-99 (RE)	1999-2000 (AP)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2095		2500	2796
2.	Assam	7		11	13
3.	Bihar	450		508	521
4.	Delhi(DVB)		NA	25	27
5.	Gujarat	2457		2950	3466
6.	Harvana	893		1090	1288
7.	Himachal Pradesh	1		2	2
8.	J & Kashmir	122		119	30
9.	Karnataka	1534		1708	2232
10.	Kerala	48		56	91
11.	Madhya Pradesh	2140		2241	2503
12.	Maharashtra	2942		3217	3593
13.	Meghalaya	0		0	0
14.	Orissa	44		49	48
15.	Punjab	1326		0	0
16.	Rajasthan	1177		1447	1453
17.	Tamil Nadu	1504		1741	1982

S.No. SEBs	1997-98 Provi.	1998-99 (RE)	1999-2000 (AP)
18. Uttar Pradesh	2000	2164	2204
19. West Bengal	322	403	453
TOTAL:	19063	20232	22703

Source: Planning Commission Document on the Working of SEBs and EDS.

Power Generating Projects Under NHPC

† 1958. DR. D. MASTHAN:

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Electricity is generated by National Hydro-electric Power Corporation in the country;
- (b) if so, the locations and generation capacity of those projects;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that each project is not generating electricity as per its installed capacity; and
- (d) if so, the percentage of electricity generated on an average by each of the projects during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The location, generating capacity and actual generation from National Hydro-electric Power Corporation (NHPC) Projects is given below. During 1999-2000, there was a shortfall in generation performance from three NHPC projects namely Baira Siul, Tanakpur and Uri Hydro-electric Projects.

Name of the Project	Cap.1997-98 (MW)(%)	1998-99 (%)	1999-2000 (%)	Reasons for shortfall
Baira Siul	180	103.97	100.12	56.74
HE Project (H.P.)				Due to breakage of shaft of Unit-I and Unit-II

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.